

Minutes of the Executive Committee

May 11, 2009

Chair Dwyer called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and led the committee in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Committee Members Present:

Jim Dwyer
Pat Haukohl
Bonnie Morris

Dave Swan
Tom Schellinger
Fritz Ruf

Duane Paulson

Also Present:

Chief of Staff Mark Mader
Budget Management Specialist Linda Witkowski
Senior Collections Specialist Dave Schultz
Principal Assistant Corporation Counsel Danni Caldwell
Senior Collections Specialist Michelle Gallun
Librarian Lori Frye

Senior Financial Analyst Bill Duckwitz
UW-Extension Director Marcia Jante
Legislative Policy Advisor Dave Krahn
Legislative Policy Advisor Ann Olson
WCFLS Executive Director Tom Hennen

Discuss and Consider Appeal by David A. Christnacht of Certification of Debt for State Tax Refund Intercept

Caldwell explained that the committee's role is to be a fact finder to determine if the appeal is merited and debt certified correctly. This is not the venue to dispute the debt.

Christnacht did not appear for the hearing.

MOTION: Swan moved, Rufsecond, to dismiss the state tax refund intercept appeal for David A. Christnacht because he failed to appear.

Paulson said in the future he would like documentation showing that the proper steps were followed prior to the meeting and have staff sworn in.

Motion carried 7-0.

2008 Year-End Capital Projects Update

Witkowski reviewed the Capital Projects 2008 Year End Report noting highlights. She said an ordinance was recently approved by the county board allowing additional funds to be transferred to project 200107: Northview Renovation/Demolition for demolition costs. Project 9115: CTH Q, Colgate – STH 175 remains open due to litigation from a landowner. The worst-case outcome of the litigation would be the county losing \$300-\$400K. She is unsure if project 9707: CTH VV, Marcy-Bette Drive will be on going in 2009. Projects 200104: CTH O, CTH I – STH 59 and 200420: CTH SR, Fox River Bridge and Approach have the potential to receive stimulus money. Bids have come in below the estimated amount for project 200504: Menomonee Park Main Building.

Dwyer asked for the capital project fund balance. Witkowski indicated she would email the information to Dwyer.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 164-O-016: Authorize Waukesha County University of Wisconsin Extension Office to Accept the Greater Milwaukee Foundation Grant for the Healthy West Side Neighborhood Initiative

MOTION: Swan moved, Haukohl second, to approve Ordinance 164-O-016.

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Jante said grants are not free. It took eight months of work to build relationships and to get this funding. Duckwitz said this ordinance authorizes the acceptance and appropriation of \$18K in grant funding for operating and departmental costs to promote neighborhood leadership, revitalization and financial management literacy. Jante said no additional staff would be needed for this program.

Morris asked how will this program be promoted. Jante said a 20-member advisory council meets to talk about program events and activities. The steering committee is making flyers and hand delivering them to residents.

Motion carried 7-0.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 164-O-015: Endorse the Receipt and Expenditure of Federal Funds to Increase Library Services to People Who are Unemployed and Modify the 2009 Federated Library System Budget

MOTION: Paulson moved, Morris second, to approve Ordinance 164-O-015.

Hennen said this ordinance authorizes the acceptance of a federal grant and has no affect on the county's general levy. Frye said this grant funding will be used to purchase a one-year subscription to the LearningExpress Library for approximately \$11,800. This online and interactive resource can be used online anywhere or at a library to help county residents improve various job-related skills such as test preparation, computer and math skills, interviewing, civil service exams, business writing, etc. The funding will also allow the department to purchase training and marketing materials. The service will work in conjunction with job skills training programs at La Casa and the Workforce Development Center.

Paulson asked if this is a duplicate effort with other organizations? Hennen said this is a more concerted effort focused on training individuals. It is not a duplication of services but rather an adjunct service. Frye said participants can work on this program independently as long as they have a library card.

Ruf asked what happens when funding ends? Frye said the program's success will be evaluated at the end of the project. Hennen said since there is no base rate for comparison purposes, libraries will be asked if they think the project was a useful tool.

Motion carried 7-0.

Discuss and Consider the following Appointments:

MOTION: Swan moved, Schellinger second to approve the following appointments en masse.

164-A-007: Appointment of Richard L. Manke to the Wisconsin River Rail Transit Commission

164-A-008: Appointment of JoAnn Weidmann to the Health and Human Services Board

164-A-009: Appointment of Mike O'Brien to the Health and Human Services Board

164-A-010: Appointment of James A. Kebisek to the Veterans Service Commission

164-A-011: Appointment of Linda Weber to the County Zoning Board of Adjustment

Motion carried 7-0.

Correspondence

Dwyer distributed and reviewed the list of correspondence. Supervisors may request copies of listed items from Jicha.

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Approve Minutes of April 20, 2009

Motion: Swan moved, Haukohl second, to approve the minutes of April 20, 2009 as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

Future Agenda Item

- WCA Resolutions
- 2008 – 2010 Strategic Planning

Legislative Update

Krahn distributed a handout titled *2009 Legislation, 5.11.09* and briefly reviewed the following bills: AB 75, AB 130, AB 144, AB 149, AB 152, AB 224, AB 230, SB 35, SB 36, SB 37 and SB 107.

Krahn said the outlook for the state budget is bleak. The Joint Finance Committee may have some large, encompassing amendments. Schellinger requested a cheat sheet outlining the county's position on state budget issues.

Committee Reports by Committee Chairs for the Following Meetings:

April 17, 2009 – Judiciary – Morris said the committee heard an excellent CJCC update and a report on WCTC and airport security training from Brian Dorow.

April 21, 2009 – Land Use – Ruf said the county board considered all items covered at this meeting.

April 28, 2009 – Public Works – Swan said the committee approved the bid for the Northview garage demolition.

April 22, 2009 – Finance – Haukohl said the committee approved the contract procurement processes for the secured corridor and real estate acquisition concerning CTH L. They also reviewed county cash handling procedures, approved five ordinances and heard a report from Shaver and Feidler on the recycling markets and material recycling facility contract amendment.

April 21, 2009 – Personnel – Schellinger said the committee approved an ordinance to appropriate additional federal revenues for the Child Support budget, and exceptions to policy regarding professional license fees.

MOTION: Rufm oved, Paulson second, to adjourn the meeting at 11:03 a.m. Motion carried 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie J. Morris
Secretary